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SUBJECT: JAPANESE PRESS REACTION TO U.S. INTL. AVIATION POLICY STATEMENT

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1. SUMMARY. JAPANESE PRESS IN GENERAL IS CRITICAL OF U.S. NEW INTL. AVIATION POLICY. YOMIURI SPECULATES JAPAN HAS DECIDED TO TAKE FIRM STAND WITH UK AGAINST U.S. ON COMMON ISSUES. UPCOMING NEGOTIATIONS FORECAST AS LONG AND DIFFICULT. END SUMMARY.

2. JAPANESE PRESS REACTION TO U.S. NEW INTERNATIONAL AVIATION POLICY HAS BEEN LARGELY CRITICAL. BOTH YOMIURI AND NIHON KEIZAI CRITICIZE USG CONTINUED ADHERENCE TO BERMUDA PRINCIPLE AND STATE THAT NEW POLICY IS DESIGNED TO MAINTAIN CONTINUED U.S. CARRIER DOMINANCEIN THE PACIFIC. JAL PRESIDENT ASADA IS REPORTED AS SAYING THAT "RECONFIRMATION OF THE EXISTING POLICY IS A CHALLENGE AGAINST JAPAN AND THE UK WHICH ARE SEEKING A DRASTIC NEW ORDER INTERNATIONALLY."

3. SOME CREDIT IS GIVEN TO THE FACT THAT USG RECOGNIZES
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THERE ARE TIMES WHEN CARRIERS MUST BE ALLOWED TO CONSULT ON

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CAPACITY AND THERE MAY BE INSTANCES WHEN ONLY ONE U.S.
CARRIER SHOULD SERVE AN INTERNATIONAL ROUTE.

4. YOMIURI ALSO QUOTES A GOVERNMENT SOURCE AS SAYING
THAT JAPAN AND UK HAVE DECIDED TO FORM A "FIRM UNITED
FRONT" AGAINST THE U.S. SINCE THE UK IS "FACING THE
SAME PROBLEMS WITH THE U.S." THE OFA HAS ATTRIBUTED
THIS STATEMENT TO "SPECULATION" BUT DID SAY THAT JAPAN
AND THE UK WOULD PROBABLY COMPARE POSITIONS DURING THEIR
ANNUAL CIVAIR TALKS TO BE HELD SOMETIME BEFORE THE END
OF THE YEAR (NO FIRM DATE YET).

5. GENERAL CONSENSUS IS FOR PROTRACTED AND DIFFICULT
NEGOTIATIONS.
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